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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6582

BILL NUMBER: SB 183

DATE PREPARED: Nov 28, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Distressed Road Fund.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill adds Sullivan County to the list of qualified counties eligible to apply for a loan from the Distressed Road Fund. It updates population parameters to reflect changes in the 2000 decennial census.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The impact of adding Sullivan County to the list of qualified counties eligible to apply for money from the Distressed Road Fund will depend upon the amount of money for which Sullivan County applies, the availability of the money, and the approval of the Department of Transportation.

Background Information: The Distressed Road Fund was created to provide financial assistance to counties, cities, and towns which have serious road and street deficiencies. Under current law there are two paths to apply for funds from the Distressed Road Fund: 1) as a qualified county; or 2) as a unit (county, city, or town) seeking matching funds for federal highway aid. The corpus of the fund consists of funds transferred from the Motor Vehicle Highway Account. The source of these funds are as follows:

A) \$5 M transfer from the Motor Fuel Tax;

B) \$5 M transfer from the Special Fuel Tax.

As of December 31, 2000, loans outstanding amounted to \$8,548,718. At the same time, the balance in the Distressed Road Fund totaled \$1,451,282.

Explanation of State Revenues:

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State Agencies Affected: Department of Transportation.

Local Agencies Affected: Sullivan County.

Information Sources: Tony Hedge, Director of Accounting and Control of the Department of Transportation, 232-5358.